

## Cup final promises goals galore



Les Scheinflug, Marconi coach

**Lots of goals and some breathtaking individual performances should distinguish the Phillips Cup final at Olympic Park on Saturday night as the finest yet.**

Most of the nine games between Heidelberg and Marconi since the PSL started have featured lots of goals. The most recent of them was a thrilling 3-3 draw only two weeks ago, when Heidelberg fought back after trailing 1-3.

Marconi's Mark Jankovic had a brilliant game that day, scoring twice and setting up the other goals for Eddie Krncevic.

The first meeting between these two great clubs resulted in that historic 8-10 victory to Marconi at Middle Park, when Ernie Campbell notched a hat-trick. Campbell later joined Sydney City and now is with St George.

Heidelberg improved to hold Marconi to a scoreless draw later in the season and since then it has been at least Marconi's equal.

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Marconi thrashed Heidelberg 4-0 in their first game of 1978 and remained unbeaten until the second time it met the Bergers, who had a resounding 4-1 victory at Olympic Park. This time Andy Bozika had a mighty game for Heidelberg and Ray Richards fought a memorable rearguard action for Marconi.

Jimmy Rooney was captain of Marconi in 1977 when he won the PSL Best Player award, and in 1978. He switched to Heidelberg in 1979 and was outstanding in its 4-0 victory over Marconi in the first half of the season, as were Gary Cole and Branko Buljevic.

They met again in the last game of 1978, with Heidelberg winning 3-2. Marconi had won the championship and Heidelberg had finished second. Rooney was again brilliant, but not more so than Jim Tansey, while Gary Byrne and Ivo Prskalo, until he was injured, starred for Marconi.

This year, both matches have resulted in draws, and Marconi forward Mark Jankovic dominated in both of them.

He and Eddie Krncevic destroyed Heidelberg in the air last time, and the midfield trio of Jim Cant, Gary Byrne and Peter Raskopoulos found acres of room to dominate in the second half.

Heidelberg however exploited slack marking and the indecisiveness of Marconi's defence which has been the team's achilles heel most of the season. Jamie Paton turned opponents at will and Andy Bozika outplayed the Marconi men with skill and speed.

The pattern of the Cup final is predictable: Marconi's Jim Muir and Tony Henderson will mark Gary Cole and Jamie Paton and Heidelberg will play its usual game, using first time return balls to build up numbers going forward, and picking up whoever is closest in defence.

Either team can win this game, and win it handsomely.

Melbourne fans are holding their breath in expectation. This could be the first trophy won by a Victorian club since the PSL started in 1977.



Len McKendry, Heidelberg coach

# Hermiston our player of year



JAT Player of the Year Jim Hermiston (left) of Brisbane Lions confronts Heidelberg's Theo Solemidis at Olympic Park last Sunday. Picture by STEVE CHATZIS.



GARY COLE: top scorer



MARTYN CROOK: top goalkeeper



DENNIS BOLAND: top goalkeeper



MIKE MILOVANOVIC: best under-21 player

By KYLE PATTERSON

**After three narrow misses, Queensland policeman Jim Hermiston finally has won the "Soccer Action" — Yugoslav Airlines Player of the Year award.**

Hermiston, of Brisbane Lions, finished the 1980 Phillips League season with an average rating of 8.3.

He missed out on the award by only .1 in 1977 when he played for Brisbane City. He had an average of 7.8 but Jimmy Rooney, then of Marconi, won the award with 7.9.

In 1978 Ken Boden, then

of Newcastle, won with 7.8 while Hermiston had 7.3. Last year Ivo Prskalo (Marconi) won with 8.04 while Hermiston had 7.57.

But Hermiston has done it this time, and his average is the highest since the award started in 1976. The winners that year (pre-PSL) were Steve Kokoska for Victoria and Bruce Stowell for NSW.

Hermiston's prize is a return trip for two to Europe.

Other major prize-winners are:

• Gary Cole (Heidelberg), PSL top scorer — wins a return trip to Europe from Goldair Travel of Melbourne;

• Mike Milovanovic (Canberra City), PSL best under-21 player — wins a return trip to Surfer's

Paradise from "Soccer Action".

• Martyn Crook (West Adelaide) and Denis Boland (Footscray) — joint PSL best goalkeepers, win Seiko watches from Konstatine Jewel Box of Melbourne.

Sydney City meanwhile won its second PSL championship in beating St. George 4-1, thus maintaining its reputation as the Real Madrid of Australian soccer.

Under its old name, Hakoah, the club dominated the NSW State League. Now it is set to establish a dynasty in the PSL.

Not only did Sydney City win the 1977 and 1980 championships, but it also finished in the top four the

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1980: Jim Hermiston



1979: Ivo Prskalo



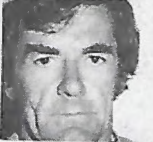
1978: Ken Boden



1977: Jimmy Rooney



1976: Steve Kokoska



1976: Bruce Stowell

## Iraq ban helps 'Roos

**The Socceroos have gained a significant World Cup advantage without kicking a ball.**

They will not have to play in Iraq!

FIFA last week banned international matches in Iraq for two years because a referee was shot at and robbed after an Olympic qualifying match in Baghdad.

Australia will have to meet Iraq in the final Asian play-offs if both countries win their initial World Cup qualifying groups. The play-offs will be to home and away in all cases except Iraq. It is likely that Iraq's "home" game will be in a neutral country.

But first Iraq will have to win Asian Group Three which includes also Syria, Bahrain, Qatar, and Saudi Arabia.

Australia will have to beat New

Zealand, Taiwan, Fiji and Indonesia in Group One.

FIFA says in its monthly bulletin that the Iraq Football Association has been fined 5,000 Swiss Francs (about 2,670 Aust dollars).

FIFA said trouble flared up in the final of the Olympic Asian Group after Malaysian referee Mr Joseph had awarded a penalty which enabled Kuwait to win the match 3-2.

The bulletin said Mr Joseph was attacked by spectators who invaded the pitch and two Iraqi football officials later burst into his hotel room and shot at him with a revolver, fortunately missing him.

FIFA said the referee discovered that his wallet, containing 500 U.S. dollars, had gone and later a medical report from a Kuala Lumpur hospital stated he had suffered contusions and a bone fracture.

According to the FIFA bulletin, Mr Joseph was forced to sign a

report saying he had made a mistake in awarding the penalty.

In a letter to the Iraq Football Association FIFA blamed the Association for not providing adequate protection and demanded that it reimburse the 500 dollars and expenses.

FIFA fined the Iraqi Association the maximum 5,000 francs and suspended all international matches in the country until July 2, 1982.

In an editorial, FIFA said: "We hope publication of these severe sanctions will act as a warning to those football officials at association and club levels who, in their fanatical blindness about football, believe that referees arriving from abroad to control matches are defenceless and at the mercy of their threats and intimidations."

• A special report on Iraqi and Kuwaiti soccer appears in "Soccer Action" next week.

## SOCCER IN SILVER

Con Zikos and Arthur Pallas have been making jewellery in Melbourne for 16 years. Now, with a new 300-ton press, they are producing ingot pendants which they say will be a boon to clubs. The soccer medal has the familiar simple stick figure logo in black and makes a modern piece of jewellery as well as identifying the wearer as a supporter of the club.

Their company, Stylform, is supplying the medal only to clubs. They expect that the medal, with individual club name engraved, will be so popular that clubs selling them to their members will receive a strong financial boost.

The ingot is of fine silver 999 but it also comes in 9 or 18 carat



**REPORT from COCA-COLA BOTTLERS**

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By JOHNNY  
WARREN, former  
Socceroo captain

## Hail the great heroes of old

The Australian Soccer Federation finally is going to honour all former Australian internationals in a special ceremony before the Centenary Grand Final at Bruce Stadium, Canberra, on Sunday October 26.

All former internationals will be invited to the grand final, given complimentary VIP tickets and presented with a small memento in recognition of their services to soccer.

It is to be hoped that many of our former Socceroos accept the ASF's gesture especially as the ASF has received so much flak over the years for its lack of suitable recognition to former Socceroos.

The Honouring of the former greats is one of many innovative promotional ideas for the Centenary final.

The others include four hours of non stop family type entertainment both on and off the field prior to the big match.

Four of the former greats of Australian soccer, Ray Richards, Ray Baartz, Manfred Schaefer and Attila Abonyi have been invited to play in my All Star team as the curtain raiser to the Phillips Soccer League grand final on October 26 in Canberra. The quartet have been extended invitations to join Canberra City's most promising juniors in a composite side to play the national youth team prior to the Centenary grand final.

Inclusion of the four household names from not so long ago is sure to be an added attraction for the grand final.

For me, Abonyi, Baartz, Richards and Schaefer were four of the best players Australia produced over the past 25 years have no doubt if they were coming through the ranks now they would have been even better players.

We all became associated at national team level in 1967 on the Vietnam Friendship Tournament Tour under Joe Vlasits. That association continued until 1974 when Baartz was tragically injured against Uruguay and prematurely retired.

Schaefer retired after St. George's 1974 grand final win, Richards after the Rasic Richards feud which split the Marconi club in 1978 and Abonyi after he became the successful coach of Melita at the beginning of this season.

At club level all four are dominant personalities who have not been adequately replaced at their respective former clubs.

At national team level the same has really applied.

All were tremendous ambassadors on overseas tours and a great credit to the game.

Abonyi still is the leading scorer in international matches. He scored 25 goals in his 58 full international appearances.

Baartz appeared in 49 full internationals for 18 goals to rank second to only Abonyi in the goalscoring department.

Richards thrived on his reputation as the man everyone loved to hate and emerged as one of the most dominant personalities Australian soccer has seen.

His attacking flair, long throws and powerful shooting typified his aggressive play in his 32 full internationals.

Schaefer, the iron man of Australian soccer, played 49 full internationals up to and including the 1974 World Cup finals in West Germany.

An airline war has broken out between Australia's two main carriers, TAA and Ansett, over carrying interstate soccer fans to the Centenary Grand Final in Canberra on Sunday October 26.

In tourist conscious Canberra, the two airlines have quickly jumped onto the grand final bandwagon and both are putting together economic and attractive tourist packages for soccer fans throughout Australia.

The packages will take in a weekend's activities climaxing of course with the grand final at Bruce Stadium on the Sunday afternoon.

Although TAA is the official soccer carrier, there is nothing to stop arch rival Ansett from trying to cash in on the grand final.

Both TAA and Ansett are sure to announce their weekend grand final in Canberra shortly.

The competition is sure not to hurt soccer fans.

It should ensure that soccer fans get full value for their money and certainly will not hurt the ASF in its attempts to attract a huge crowd to the national capital.

Soccer fans should not hesitate to contact their local offices for further details as soon as possible.

Apart from the weekend in Canberra and the obvious attraction of the grand final the two top Marconi, Sydney City, Heidelberg and South Melbourne, fans will be treated to a four hour family entertainment spectacular before the kick off.

The people of Canberra are determined to make the grand final a tremendous success, despite the natural objections to the venue from some of the top four clubs.

Canberra has all the potential to realise the PSL's faith in attempting to make the national capital's Bruce Stadium, the Wembley of Australian soccer.

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Victorian PSL player of the year John Yzendoorn (centre) with well-wishers Steve Kokoska (left), Gary Cole (right), Carl Gilder (bottom left) and Peter Blasby (bottom right).

The Victorian branch of the Australian Soccer Press Association (ASPA) has voted the following Victorian all star eleven:

Vince BANNON (Hellas)	John YZENDOORN (H'berg)	Jim TANSEY (H'berg)	Alan DAVIDSON (Hellas)
Jim CAMPBELL (H'berg)	George CHRISTOPOULOS (Hellas)	Jimmy ROONEY (H'berg)	
Gary COLE (H'berg)	Jamie PATON (H'berg)	Alan EVANS (Hellas)	

## 'Davo' keeps on winning

The trophy for the Victorian under 21 player of the year marks another stage in the remarkable development of Alan Davidson.

He popped up in the senior team of State League club Altona City

## Bambridge — again



Twice the Press has given an award for the Victorian Referee of the Year. Twice it has been won by Chris Bambridge (pictured).

He won it in 1976 when he was 29. He won it again last week, at 33.

Born in Kettering, Bambridge refereed in England for three years and has been at it for seven years in Australia.

Since his first win in 1976, Bambridge has joined the FIFA panel and become a regular PSL referee.

during the 1977 Ampol Cup night series when he was 16 and even then he played better than his more senior team mates.

'Davo', as he is known, was about to join Footscray J.U.S.T. early in 1979 but failed to come to financial terms and decided on South Melbourne Hellas instead.

About the same time he was selected by Rudi Gutendorf to the national youth team for world championship matches in New Zealand and Paraguay.

He was in the national team that won the Oceania Cup in Noumea this year and now is set to tour the world with the Socceroos in November-December.

Davidson started soccer at school and then had one year with West Newport before joining Altona where he played from under 13 upwards. He represented Victoria at under 13, 14, 15, 16 and senior levels and in 1976 he was one of three Victorians named in the Australian all-stars after the national championships.

The others were Eddie Krncevic and Colin Allison.

He has spent most of his soccer in midfield, but has been playing at left back for Hellas since last year.

## Yzendoorn: now for the big one

John Yzendoorn of Heidelberg was named Victorian PSL player of the Year at the Press awards last week.

In presenting him with the trophy, ASF president Sir Arthur George described Yzendoorn as the most improved player

in the national team, where he has been used at right back, in midfield and most recently, as sweeper.

Yzendoorn also was a star in the Victorian State team that beat AEK Athens, Partizan Belgrade and Red Star Belgrade.

It was the first time that a Phillips League award was included in the Bill Fleming presentation night.

Yzendoorn now must rate among the favorites for the national Press awards at the Menzies Hotel, Sydney, on 30 October.

Yzendoorn played for Preston North End in England. He joined Victorian State League club Slavia for the start of 1978 and won "Soccer Action" Player of the Year award in his first season. He transferred to Heidelberg last year, along with Slavia team mate Jamie Paton.



Victorian Coach of the Year John Margaritis, with best under 21 player Alan Davidson.

## Margaritis praises his fighting men

Last in 1979, almost first in 1980. That was the achievement for which Hellas coach John Margaritis was rewarded last week.

Margaritis was named Victorian Coach of the Year at the Press awards in St. Kilda.

Like fellow winners, John Yzendoorn (PSL player of the year) and Alan Davidson (best under 21 player) he is now among the favorites in the national Press awards in Sydney on 30 October.

For the past six years, Margaritis has been among the most successful coaches in Australia with the big Greek clubs that are regarded as the coaches' graveyards — South Melbourne Hellas, Heidelberg and West Adelaide.

He played three international matches for Greece and was a star with PAOK before coming to Australia in the early sixties to play for Hellas. He was a regular State representative from 1962 to 1964 and had one season with Heidelberg at the end of his career.

Margaritis, 41, paid tribute to Mike Watson, the Hellas trainer who has worked closely with him this year.

He also praised his squad for its fine season. Pressed to name the players who have been the biggest successes this year, he said:

"It is not easy for a player to change his attitude and his

style of play but Duncan Cummings has done so and it has been a great achievement. He is more dedicated now and he is a fighter. Earlier he was much too soft but now he is a man who plays with guts and courage.

"I did not think that after his knee operation Arthur Xanthopoulos could be as good as he was this year. I thought he was a bit slow and he wasn't dedicated enough to his football. Arthur proved me wrong. He is now the best stopper in Australia because he is so consistent and because he has incredible technique, which is unusual for that position. He can make the ball sing.

"Bertie Lutton had a very good year. He is very fast and he used his great experience. It was a bit of a gamble making him sweeper, because he always had played forward or in midfield but if you're not willing to take risks as a coach, then you might as well

forget it. I saw in our small games at training how Bertie always dropped back to protect his goal. That was unusual for a forward and that was the first thing that started me thinking about his new position.

"Billy Rogers is the type of midfielder that I like. He is one of the most underrated players in Australia but he is one of the most gallant fighters. He is a man with 10 hearts.

"Alan Davidson has become more mature and he has phenomenal confidence. I think he would walk up to Franz Beckenbauer and say: 'Who are you? I'm the king.' He goes up against the best forwards — Ken Boden, Gary Cole, Mark Janovic — and he says: 'Don't worry John, I'll do 'em'. He talks like that because he believes in his ability and he's got some ability, I tell you! LAURIE SCHWAB

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Bill Fleming Medal winner Jimmy Dunne (right) is congratulated by teammate Billy Vojtek (centre), a previous winner, and Bobby McLachlan, their coach at Ajax. Pictures by STEVE CHATZIS.

# Dunne wins a ticket to the PSL?

Jimmy Dunne, winner of the 1980 Bill Fleming Medal, hopes to play in the Philips League next year.

He said he hoped the medal improved his chances of stepping into the PSL and developing his career in Australia.

Dunne is only the second Green Gully Ajax player to win a major best player award. Roy Collins was named best player of the First Division in 1976 when Ajax was still in the Metropolitan League.

Dunne, 32, played against Footscray J.U.S.T. in his first game in Australia but played sweeper for the rest of the season.

His calm, constructive play out of defence enabled Ajax to finish in third place — its highest placing in the State League.

Dunne started with Shelbourne in Ireland before joining Millwall in 1966. He then spent three seasons with Torquay before transferring to Fulham in 1970. He helped Fulham win promotion to the English Second Division before making way for Bobby Moore who joined from West Ham.

He went back to Torquay in April, 1976. During his 13 years in English league football, he totted up 386 appearances.

He also played two international games for Eire in 1971.

Dunne demonstrated his sportsmanship in helping to coach junior teams at Ajax.

In accepting the Bill Fleming Medal, Dunne thanked Ajax coach Bobby McLachlan for

bringing him to Australia and the Ajax club for giving him the opportunity to play soccer here.

He now will knuckle down to the task of leading Ajax in the State League top four series and the new Victoria Cup.

Runner-up in the voting was Juventus forward Bobby McGuinness, top State League scorer of 1980. Third was Croatia defender Steve Kokoska. Both are leading candidates for the Rothmans Medal, especially since Dunne is ineligible for that award as he has been sent off this season.

The Rothmans Medal, decided on referees' votes, will be presented at the Southern Cross Hotel on Friday.

The Bill Fleming Medal is decided on the votes of a panel of soccer writers — members of the Victorian branch of the Australian Soccer Press Association (ASPA) which organised the Press awards last week.

Dunne's name now joins an impressive list of previous winners:

1971: Jim Pyrgiolis (Hellas); '72: John Gardiner (George Cross); '73: Frank Micic (JUST); '74: Jim Armstrong (Hellas); '75: Bill Vojtek (Juventus); '76: Jim Tansey (Slavia); '77: Mick Watkins (Juventus); '78: Tommy Cumming (Croatia); '79: Tommy Cumming (Croatia).



Top placegetters in the Bill Fleming Medal voting, from left: Steve Kokoska of Croatia (third), Bobby McGuinness of Juventus (second) and the winner, Jimmy Dunne.

## Beranic the best

Dane Beranic made it a double for Ajax when he won the Michael Weinstein Medal as Victoria's 1980 junior Player of the Year.

Beranic was named the winner shortly after Jimmy Dunne had collected the Bill Fleming Medal as senior player of the year.

Beranic joined Ajax when he was nine and captained the Victorian under 16 team this year. He also represented the State at under 14 and under 15 levels.

Criteria for the award, named after VSF chairman Michael Weinstein are:

• The winner must be in his last year of junior soccer (under 16);

• He must have given consistent service to his club, showing enthusiasm, leadership and the potential to represent State and country.

The award includes a \$100 scholarship. It is decided on votes by the coach of the Victorian under 16 team, the manager and the VSF secretary.

The award is in its fifth year. Previous winners:

1976: Colin Allison (Melbourne); 1977: Alex Rivero (Box Hill); 1978: Robert Traficante (Essendon City); 1979: Greg McLeod (Box Hill).

## Close Rothmans count on Friday

The Victorian Rothmans Medal count at the Southern Cross Hotel on Friday night is expected to be the closest on record.

Unlike past years, there is no clear cut favorite.

Some of the candidates are pictured on these pages. The Rothmans Medal, decided on referees' votes, took over from the Argus Medal in 1971.

Past winners:

ARGUS MEDAL

1954 M. Payne (South Yarra).

1955 M. Busidoni (Juventus).

1956 R. Wemyss (Polonia) tied with P. Cubero (JUST).

1957 J. McLeod (Box Hill).

1958 J. Westerveld (Wilhelmina).

1959 A. Drennan (Box Hill).

1960 W. Janczyk (Polonia).

1961 F. Falzon (George Cross).

The next two years are perhaps the most vital in Australian soccer history, ASF president Sir Arthur George said at the Victorian Press awards last week.

"The next two years represent a series of challenges we may not have the opportunity to meet again," Sir Arthur told the gathering of about 200 at the Vineyard Restaurant in St. Kilda.

He said 1981 would determine whether our soccer improvement matches the improvement in Asia and Oceania and whether we are good enough to qualify for the 1982 World Cup in Spain.



Rudi Gutendorf

## Melbourne tops says Gutendorf

Melbourne is the No.1 soccer city in Australia.

So said national coach Rudi Gutendorf at the Victorian Press awards.

"The main reason is that you have for soccer an extraordinary stadium, so much better than the Sydney Cricket Ground where you cannot get a soccer atmosphere," he said.

"VSF chairman Michael Weinstein, secretary George Wallace and the sportswriters are very kind to us in Melbourne."

"Also, the national team never has lost a game here since I have been coach."

"We played our best games here this year — an excellent 2-2 draw with the then European champion Czechoslovakia and a 1-1 draw with the British champion, Northern Ireland, always with the team made up 50 per cent of Victorian players."

"Also, our second half against Mexico here was the best soccer we have played."

"And last but not least, I am very happy with the great talents that have developed here in this city — Selemidis, Davidson, Christopoulos who were in the youth team two years ago, and Little, Crino, Blair and others who will play in the world youth championships next year."

He added 1981 would determine whether all factions in soccer had the ability to pull together to ensure that the Coca-Cola world youth championships do credit not only to our soccer but to Australia as a nation.

"The challenge facing the administrators is to accept that the PSL has improved the standard of the game and should be promoted as the flagship of soccer, and that the State competitions and the PSL should live together and work together in harmony. If they don't achieve this they won't be doing much for the game," Sir Arthur said.

"Our next challenge is finally to produce a national team made up entirely of players who learned or developed their soccer in Australia. From among the thousands of boys in this country we must push these with the talent into the national team and eliminate those who did not develop their soccer here, if for no other reason than because that's what is expected out there in the marketplace."

Sir Arthur added the next two years would show also whether the Federations had the ability to exploit soccer commercially, aided by popularisation of the game through TV exposure.

On TV, he said: "I have been assured that although the prime programming will come from the new 0 network, commercial stations will be associated in every State and regional capital, showing soccer perhaps not at the same time but in the same weekly spans."

"These challenges will be met only if the administrators, the clubs and the media co-operate to build the image of the sport."

"At the moment, the image of soccer is one of divisiveness."

"Whether that image is right or wrong is immaterial. If the man you're trying to do business with thinks you're a bastard, it doesn't matter if you are or not."



Sir Arthur George

"The sportswriters' contribution can be to stress the positive rather than the negative."

"We the administrators give our time free of charge to try to develop and promote the game. The sportswriters, even if they love the game, also make their living from it."

"I am used to charges that the ASF is a collection of nincompoops. When you're at the top you cannot pass the buck. But it is easy to sit and formulate ideas and push them without having to take the responsibilities or the knocks. Those who think they have all the answers should come along and join the administration. We'd be glad to give you a job."

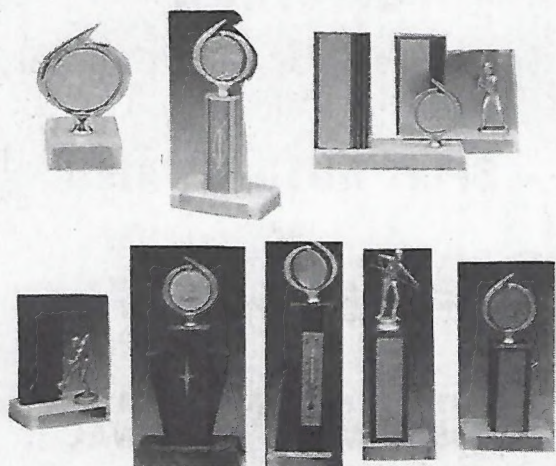
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HEIDELBERG	9	3	1	35	14	6	3	4	20	19	55:33	36
STH MELBOURNE	8	4	1	25	10	7	1	5	17	11	42:21	35
MARCONI	8	3	2	33	15	6	3	4	20	17	53:32	34
Adelaide City	7	3	3	20	10	6	1	6	20	17	40:27	30
Newcastle KB	7	3	3	14	12	5	3	5	18	19	32:31	30
Brisbane Lions	5	4	4	13	14	2	7	4	15	19	28:32	25
APIA-L'hardy	6	5	2	15	14	2	2	9	12	21	27:35	23
Footscray JUST	6	1	6	20	21	1	8	4	12	20	32:41	23
Canberra City	3	4	6	16	19	4	3	6	17	13	34:33	21
Blacktown City	7	2	4	25	16	2	1	10	9	40	34:55	21
Brisbane City	4	4	3	16	9	0	6	9	13	27	29:36	18
West Adelaide	6	2	5	12	15	1	1	11	12	31	24:46	17
St George BSC	3	2	8	18	34	2	2	9	15	33	33:66	14

## PHILIPS LEAGUE TEAM OF WEEK

In brackets — number of appearances in this team —

**BOLAND (5)**  
(Footsc)

**ONTONG (6)**      **HERMISTON (12)**      **BERTOIGNA (4)**      **CANT (2)**  
(Brisb L.)      (Brisb L.)      (Newc)      (Marc)

**ROGERS (3)**      **CUMMINGS (2)**      **RASKOPOULOS (1)**  
(Sth Melb)      (Sth Melb)      (Marc)

**JANKOVICS (6)**      **BODEN (7)**      **MANECAS (2)**  
(Marc)      (Syd C.)      (W. Adel)



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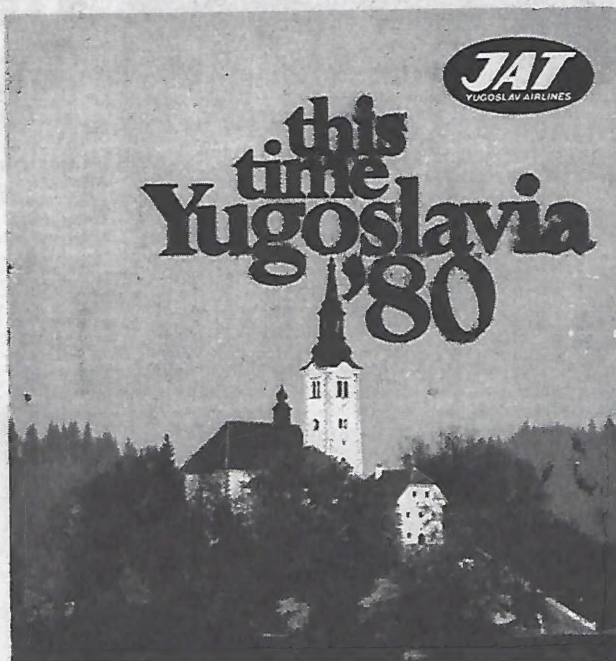
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- \* A player must be on the field for at least 35 minutes to be given a rating.
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- \* The tickets must be used in the period November 1, 1980 to April 1, 1981.

## SUPPORT THE AIRLINE THAT SUPPORTS YOUR SPORT THIS WEEK'S VOTES

HEIDELBERG UTD 1 BRISBANE LIONS 0 at Olympic Park No. 2. Ratings by Kyle Patterson.

HEIDELBERG: Oliver 8 - McMillan 8, P. Bannon 7, Provan 8, Tansey 7 - Rooney 5, Campbell 7, Selemidis 8 - Boziskas 6, Paton 7, Cole 6.

LIONS: Scanlon 9 - Ontong 9, Hermiston 9, Bennett 8, Niven 7 - Hogg 6, Burns 6, Wilson 8 - Millman 6, Daunt 6 (Verwoij 6 half time), McNaughton 7.

BRISBANE CITY 1 CANBERRA 1 at Perry Park.

Ratings by Bruce Waddell:  
BRISBANE CITY - Coe 9, Perry 8, Ratcliffe 8, Potter 7, Wilkinson 7, Gaffney 8, Pimblett 7, Hamilton 6, Palinkas 5, Kewle 6 (Low 72nd), Connor 7.

CANBERRA CITY - Wilson 9, Moullis 6 (R. O'Shea 7 39th), Stark 7, Milovanovic 7, M. O'Shea 7, Cole 7, Farrell 6, J. O'Shea 7, Byrne 6, Valeri 6, McLaren 9.

SYDNEY CITY 4 ST. GEORGE 1 at Sydney Athletic Ground. Ratings by Tom Anderson.

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 8, Souness 7, Bruce 7, O'Connor 7, Gomez 7, Watson 8, Stevenson 8, Spanos 8, Silva 7 (Sub Borgea (69th), Trenter 8, Boden 9.

ST. GEORGE: Fraser 7, McIntosh 6, Terry 6, Hadley 6, Russell 7, Stone 9, Katholos 8, Barton 6 (Sub Beggs 69), Duarte 6, Griffiths 8, Kay 8.

BLACKTOWN 1 ADELAIDE CITY 2 at Gattle Stadium. Ratings by Ted Smithies:

BLACKTOWN CITY: James 8, Pollard 6, (Resmussen 82) Turnbull 7, Selvaig 7, Pointer 7, Hormazabal 7, (injured 61 Ortega), O'Donnell 6, Stowell 7, Wilkinson 6, Landon 7, Hunter 8.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 7, Dods 7, (injured 47 Mitchell 7), Jones 7, Russell 6, B. Nyakohus 6, Barnes 7, Muniz 8, Northcote 7, Marocchi 7, J. Nyakohus 7, Maita 6.

WEST ADELAIDE 0 MARCONI 1 at Hindmarsh.

Ratings by Memo Toustide.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 9 - Tymczyszyn 8, Topaz 7, Forde 7, Bozanic 7 - McGregor 7, Norris 6 (Carru-

thers) McGachey 7, Kosmina 7, Honeyman 8, Manecas 9.

MARCONI: Maher 8 - Brogan 7, Praskalo 7, Muir 7, Cant 8 - Henderson 8, Raskopoulos 9, Byrne 7 - Sharpe 7, Jankovics 9, Krnoevic 7 (Marlan 7).

APIA LEICHHARDT 0 FOOTSCRAY JUST 0 at Lambert Park. Ratings by Roger Sherack.

APIA - LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse 8, Skellern 6, McGinn 7, Watt 6, Dempsey 8, Harding 5, Morsello 9, McAusland 6, Coyne 6 (Gray 80), Pirie 6, O'Connor 6.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 9, Hazavbent 6, Kondarios 7, Rujevic 7, Kyriakoulas 6, Piccone 6 (Petro 75), Ilioski 8, Jovanovic 8, Belic 7, Vesic 6, Lujic 7.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 0 NEWCASTLE KB UTD 0 at Middle Park. Ratings by Laurie Schwab:

HELLAS: Laumeta 6 - V. Bannon 8, Lutton 8, Blair 8 (Kakantonis 5, half time), Davidson 6 - Rogers 9, Xanthopoulos 8, Wright 8 - Cummings 9, Evans 6, Buljevic 6.

NEWCASTLE: Dando 6 - Reaney 7, Drinkwater 8, Bertogna 9, Curran 7 - Senkalski 8, McClelland 6 (Snaddon 80th), P. Tredinnick 8 - Hays 7, Burrows 8, Jones 6.

Leading ratings after the final round (a more comprehensive list will appear next week):

8.3 Hermiston (BL)

8.0 V. Bannon (SM), Watson (SC), Crook (WA).

7.9 Milovanovic (Can), Boland (Foots), Reaney (Newc), Barnes (SC).

7.8 Ratcliffe (BC), Bennett, Ontong (BL), Tansey, J. Campbell (H'berg), Maher (Marc), Boden (SC).

7.7 Perry (BC), D. Cole (Can), McMillan, Yzendoorn (H'berg), Lutton (SM).

7.6 Jones, Muniz (AC), P. Bannon, Rooney, Paton (H'berg), Xanthopoulos, G. Campbell (SM).

7.5 Dods (AC), P. Wilson (APIA), Potter (BC), Niven (BL), Kondarios (Foots), G. Cole (H'berg), Drinkwater, Bertogna (Newc), S. O'Connor, Steven-

son (SC).

# Let the presidents play in summer!



**RALE RASIC**

It was said in the introduction to the summer soccer proposal that if Bjorn Borg and Dennis Lillee can play their sports in temperatures of 35 deg C., there's no reason why we can't play soccer in that sort of weather.

I wonder if the administrators responsible for the proposal have ever kicked a soccer ball.

Matters like this should be referred first to professional coaches and to the players for a thorough study before a decision is made.

Are we expecting better performances in hotter weather from players who already are accused of playing sub-standard soccer and of being not fit enough?

I remember playing Ampol Cup soccer in the heat of summer. Sometimes we'd play in the afternoon, especially in the case of double-headers, and we'd need a squad of boys just to keep rushing water and ice packs to the touch-line so we wouldn't boil away.

I am surprised that the club presidents are patting each other on the back over the summer soccer decision, without even having commissioned a feasibility study. If they're not careful, the presidents may have to play these summer games themselves.

Some clubs don't even have ground facilities in the summer, and the spectators have other interests at that time of the year — the beach and holidays or day trips with the family.

Soccer may encroach into summer to a certain extent in the U.S. but the weather is not as severe there, and the Americans play, slow possession soccer which is more suited to hot weather than our predominantly British style.

Our football is played in a fairly rugged manner, and it is characterised by the sliding tackle. Yet the grounds become very hard in the summer meaning it is dangerous enough falling down, let alone tackling.

The average British player who dominates Australian soccer, cannot cope with hot weather. Dixie Deans, Adrian Alston, Peter Ollerton, Mike Denton, Willie Hamilton and Gary Cole are some of the British style players I have been associated with who cannot function properly in the heat.

And let's not forget that the players have to train in the hot months, not just play matches. The proposal that there be a two or three week break for the Christmas period is of course sensible planning, but it will still be necessary for the players to train during that period.

In December, most people eat richer food than they do at any other time of the year and they drink more fluids, so training is absolutely essential, not only to counteract the effects of the festivities but also to prepare for the resumption of the league.

Bjorn Borg may be able to play five sets in 35 deg, but he exerts himself only about five or 10 seconds at a time, and then is still for at least an equal period. Such is the nature of tennis. Between games he can have a drink or pour water over his head.

Dennis Lillee bowls for an hour, and then he can go have a shower if he wants to. But the soccer player is continuously involved in play all over the field.

If we switch to summer soccer, players like Ivo Prskalo, Jimmy Rooney, Roberto Vieri and others who are near the end of their careers would be expected to function in such conditions for the first time in their lives. They would find it impossible.

We must have the only major league in the world where periodical medical check-ups are not compulsory, meaning our players face an even greater risk. If a tragedy occurs I wonder who will be blamed.

Big, strongly-built players will find the summer conditions impossible, smaller, nippy players like John Nyskohus, Agenor Muniz or Alan Davidson who have the skill to push the ball around, are a little better suited but they too will find it difficult.

I respect the ASF marketing people for what they are doing to help popularise and "sell" soccer in Australia but it is not their business to involve themselves in this area.

They do not have the expertise or experience.

Did they, for example, consider how much it will cost for teams to stay overnight after twilight or evening matches, and reimburse players for time off work the following day?

Many of the matches will have to be double-headers because of a shortage of grounds with floodlights, yet double-headers never have proved financially adequate.

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I congratulate John Margaritis of South Melbourne Hellas on having won the Victorian Coach of the Year award. I trust he also will win the national award, for he certainly is my choice.

Margaritis has lifted Hellas out of the dol-

drums in which it found itself last year, back to where it belongs, among the greatest clubs in Australia.

Under Margaritis, Hellas has had only one decisive loss this season — against Footscray 3-0.

The other few defeats have been narrow ones.

Margaritis rejuvenated Bertie Lutton who was on the outer last year, and developed him into an excellent sweeper. He recognised the talents of young Steve Blair, and Vince Bannan who had drifted out into the Metropolitan League. He inspired Arthur Xanthopoulos, who had been out through injury for a year, to come back better than ever, he showed shrewd judgement in buying Branko Buljevic even though some critics thought Buljevic was on the way out.

He blended his players well, he provided the team with stability and continuity. He made the players believe in themselves.

What Hellas should do now to capitalise on all the good work is to offer Margaritis a long-term contract of at least five years. He can do a lot more yet.

Congratulations, John.

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In regard to the letter to the editor about me in last week's edition, let me assure Marconi that the article to which the letter referred, I was expressing my feeling about one particular fan who behaved abominably in the crowd. He is the one I called an animal. I did not refer to Marconi fans in general. To me Marconi remains one of the best, if not the best club in Australia, and its supporters on the whole are very fine people.

## Hermiston celebrates 33rd birthday as No. 1 player

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other two seasons — second in 1978 and third in 1979. It also won the first two top four series, in 1978 and 1979.

No wonder, since Sydney City has probably the soundest administration in the league and the greatest stability. Kevin Mullen, Murray Barnes, Steve O'Connor, John Stevenson, Hilton Silva, Joe Watson and Terry Smith have been there since before the PSL started.

Instead of recruiting in bulk, Sydney City prefers to be selective — quality ahead of quantity, as it demonstrated in buying Ken Boden from Newcastle during the off-season.

While praising Sydney City as the team most deserving of the 1980 title, national coach Rudi Gutendorf said after the game against St. George: "Ken Boden was the dominant influence in this game. Had he been on the other side, St. George would have won."

John Spanos blossomed from a youth star into a solid senior player during the season and will be even better next year.

The following is our interview with Jim Hermiston just after he had won the JAT award last Sunday.

**Congratulations on being voted the player of the year.**

I'm delighted to win this award, and thank 'Soccer Action' and the sponsor, JAT. The holiday in Europe will be great but it also means a boost for Lions and Queensland soccer in general.

**How do you rate your 1980 season?**

This was my best year in the PSL. I've been in Australia four years now but 1980 was most satisfying from a personal point of view.

**Any reason for that?**

Extra fitness has made the difference in 1980, but that's not to say I lacked fitness in previous years. At the start of

1980, I joined the Queensland Police Force as a physical education teacher. That sometimes involves doing 600 sit-ups and push-ups a day. Being constantly involved in physical training has increased my fitness, which helps my game.

Before joining the Police Force, I was employed full-time by Lions as a director of junior coaching.

**Are you enjoying soccer in the PSL?**

I get tremendous pleasure out of training and playing football, whether it be in Scotland or Australia. However, playing is virtually a hobby now. There's no pressure and so I can go out and show my skills.

However, that's not to say I don't take my game seriously. I still get keyed up for a match, and put everything in for my team.

When I played as a professional in Scotland, there was pressure on and off the field. As Australia doesn't have professionalism, the pressure is not so great.

**How old are you, Jim, and how many years will you continue playing?**

I turned 33 yesterday (Tuesday 30 September). I have a year to run on my contract with Lions, and will play for a year after that. I think I can play successfully until the end of 1982 but then I will retire and concentrate on coaching.

**You play sweeper for Lions. Have you played most of your career in this position?**

No, I played mainly as a left back for Aberdeen during my 10 years with the club. During that time I made over 300 appearances.

**You were involved in Scotland's 1974 World Cup squad?**

I was selected in a group of 40 but missed out when the final 22 was selected. I never, in fact, played a full international for Scotland and that is my major disappointment of my career.

**You once said that play-**

**ing for Australia was an ambition.**

I would love to represent Australia but I have been told I'm ineligible. I played for Scotland's under-23 team, and for the Scottish League.

The authorities ruled that I can't play for Australia because I've represented Scotland. I have to accept that decision but I don't think a player has truly represented his country unless he's played a full international.

**It must be frustrating for you.**

It is frustrating, because in my sole under-23 appearance I was injured early and had to be substituted at half time. I wore the Scotland jersey for 45 minutes, and that rules me out of the Australian national team. The match, incidentally, was against Wales in Wales.

**You obviously enjoy the physical involvement of soccer.**

I'll admit that I'm a fitness fanatic. Ever since I was a lad, I've enjoyed training and being fit. During the close season, I do a lot of cross-country running, which I find relaxing.

**1980 must have been a disappointing season for Lions.**

Missing the top four is a big disappointment, because we thought it would be our year. Without making excuses, I think we were unlucky to draw so many games. Lions had a run of six or seven draws on end and it hurts to think about all the missed chances in those games. Those dropped points made the difference.

**What do you think of the top three teams in the competition?**

South Melbourne is a workman-like team, with a few outstanding players. Heidelberg didn't impress me today, but who can fault their style? They scored a goal, and then sat on the lead. Winning is the name of the game.

Sydney City has many class players. I'd rate Ken Boden as the most dangerous forward in Australia. Gary Cole is fast and strong, but it's easier to read Cole's game than it is Boden's. Kenny is always darning in and out, and is very hard to pick up.



Parliamentarian Bon Thomas (seated, centre) at the official opening of Albion Rovers' licensed clubrooms. Others pictured: Albion president Russell Wilson (standing, left), secretary, Alex McArthur (standing, right), Sunshine City president Tom Reid (seated, left), Albion vice-president Dave Berry (right).

## Rovers greet the Rovers

A link has been established between the Albion Rovers clubs of Melbourne and Lanarkshire near Glasgow.

Bernie Waslin of the Melbourne club made contact with the Scottish Rovers and was thrilled to get copies of their match programme and a supporters' scarf. A team picture is on the way as well.

Bernie now will reciprocate. He also will

forward copies of 'Soccer Action' to keep the Scots up to date on the Australian game.

A large crowd of Albion Rovers supporters was at the Selwyn Park club rooms for the official opening of their licensed clubrooms. Albion is the first Victorian soccer club to be granted a full liquor licence.

Guests of honour were parliamentarian Bon Thomas M.L.C., and Tom Reid of the Sunshine City Soccer Club.

## READERS' FORUM

SIR, I have recently discovered the "Readers Forum" and would like the opportunity to complain against unfair criticism aimed at the Moonee Ponds Soccer Club by your Spanish reporter, Oscar Perea. After the game against West Melbourne in which Moonee Ponds lost 3-1, the team was described as "a pack of butchers" without any ability to play soccer. This is in contrast with the team's first encounter in which Moonee Ponds was described as a "good and fast team".

To what does Mr Perea attribute this schizophrenia? Is it that he delegates his reporting to a group of dummies

who cannot see past their noses? It is irresponsible reporting such as this which preserves the animosity between rival ethnic clubs. Soccer would be better served if Mr Perea could use his column intelligently. Then, judging from Mr Perea's Column, intelligence would not be one of his attributes.

I suggest Mr Perea, that if you are going to hide behind the skirt of a 'foreign language', then you should confine your comments to the way the teams you support play. I pray you publish this letter in fairness to the Moonee Ponds S.C. — JOHN SCOTO Treasurer Moonee Ponds S.C.

## George Cross awards night

George Cross will hold its presentation night on Monday, 3 November at the club's headquarters 293 Albion Street, West Brunswick, from 7.30 pm to 1.30 am.

A band and floor show will highlight the night and best players from the club's senior, reserve and under 19 sides will be presented with trophies.

Tickets are \$16 a single for members and \$20 for non-members. Further details can be obtained from Charlie Cassar 386 6488 or Fred Zahra 311 7820.

The club's general election will be held on Sunday 9 November at Albion Street from 1 pm.

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Gary Cole of Heidelberg wins the trip to Europe. Final list:

21. Cole (H'berg)  
16. Jankovic (Marc)  
15. Paton (H'berg)  
12. Krncevic (Marc), Boden (SC)  
12. J. Nyshokhus (AC)  
11. Duarte (SC 6)  
10. P. O'Connor (APIA), Buljovic (SM), M. Barnes (SC)  
9. C. Barnes (AC), Wilkinson (Black), Kelso (BC)  
8. Millman (BL), T. Byrne (Can), Sharpe (Marc), Hoya (New), Evans (SM), Stevenson (SC)  
7. Giampaolo, Valeri (Can), Vasic (Foot), G. Byrne (Can)  
6. Hunter (Black), J. Campbell (H'berg), G. Campbell (SM), Manecak (WA)  
5. Lujic (Foot), Boskic (H'berg), Jones (New), Cummings (SM), Kosmina (WA)

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7.9 Milovanovic (Can), 7.5 Bertogina (New)  
7.4 Hogg (BL)  
7.3 Woodhouse (APIA), Spanos (SC)  
7.2 Moulis (Can)  
7.1 Solomidis (H'berg), Krncevic (Marc), Christopoulos (SM)  
7.0 Hunter (Black), Raskopoulos (Marc)

**BEST UNDER 21 PLAYER AWARD**  
A return trip to Surfers Paradise for two by courtesy of Soccer Action in conjunction with T.A.A. will go to the best Under 21 player according to Soccer Action Ratings.

## Philips Cup final in facts and figures

### ALL PAST CLASHES

Details of all past games between cup finalists Heidelberg and Marconi:

**1977**  
MARCONI 8 (Campbell 3, Sharpe 2, Degney, Rooney, Vieri) at Middle Park, crowd 7500. Ratings by Laurie Schwab:  
HEIDELBERG: Blasby 4, McMillan 5, Tansey 4, P. Bannan 4, Rakovitsa 4, Taylor 5, McMorran 4 (Provan 4, half time), J. Campbell 5, Boskic 4 (O'Reilly 6th), Cole 4, Buljovic 7. Coach: John Margaritis.

**MARCONI:** Maher 8, Jones 7, Prskalo 8, Hucker 7, Degney 7, Richards 8, Byrne 6, Rooney 9, E. Campbell 10, Sharpe 9. Coach: Rale Rasic.

**MARCONI 0 HEIDELBERG 0** at Marconi Oval, crowd 6500. Ratings by Dieter Warner:  
MARCONI: Maher 7, Robertson 6, Prskalo 8, Russell 7, Degney 7, Richards 8, Byrne 6, Rooney 9, Sharpe 5, Mariani 6, Campbell 5 (Williams 7th). Coach: Rale Rasic.

**HEIDELBERG:** Blasby 7, V. Bannan 7, Provan 7, O'Reilly 7, McMillan 7, Campbell 7, P. Bannan 8, Taylor 7, Boskic 7 (Tront 6th), Cole 7, Buljovic 9. Coach: John Margaritis.

**1978**  
MARCONI 4 (Vieri, Rooney, Jankovic, Byrne) HEIDELBERG 0 at Marconi Oval, crowd 5591. Ratings by John Taylor:  
MARCONI: Maher 7, Jones 7, Russell 8, Prskalo 6, Degney 7, Byrne 8, Vieri 8, Rooney 7, Sharpe 7, Mariani 6, Jankovic 7. Coach: Rale Rasic.

**HEIDELBERG:** Blasby 5, McMillan 7, Provan 6, O'Reilly 6, Taylor 7 (Hay 7th), P. Bannan 7, Campbell 5, Boskic 6, Cole 6, Buljovic 6. Coach: John Margaritis.

**HEIDELBERG 4 (Buljovic, Cole, Campbell, Boskic) MARCONI 1 (Richards)** at Olympic Park, crowd about 12,000. Ratings by Laurie Schwab:  
HEIDELBERG: Blasby 7, McMillan 8, O'Reilly 7, Provan 7, Tansey 8 - Campbell 8, P. Bannan 8, Taylor 8 - Boskic 8, Cole 7, Buljovic 8. Coach: John Margaritis.

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HEIDELBERG: Blasby 7, McMillan 8, O'Reilly 7, Provan 7, Tansey 8 - Campbell 8, P. Bannan 8, Taylor 8 - Boskic 8, Cole 7, Buljovic 8. Coach: John Margaritis.

**MARCONI:** Maher 7 - Byrne 5, Russell 5 (Brogan 6th), Richards 4, Degney 5, Vieri 7, Jankovic 4 (Barry 7, half time), Rooney 7, Sharpe 5, Mariani 6, Williams 6. Coach: Rale Rasic.

**1979**  
MARCONI 0 HEIDELBERG 4 (Y-zendoom, Paton, Cole 2) at Marconi Oval, crowd 4362. Ratings by Alex Vasic:  
MARCONI: Maher 5 - Barry 6, Russell 6, Prskalo 7, Degney 6 - Henderson 5, Lindsay 5, Jankovic 5, Krncevic 7, Sharpe 5. Coach: Les Scheinflug.

**HEIDELBERG:** Banovic 8 - Y-zendoom 8, Provan 9, P. Bannan 8, Tansey 8 - Campbell 8, Taylor 8, Rooney 9 - Boskic 7, Paton 8, 4th, Cole 9, Buljovic 9. Coach: Manny Poulakakis.

**HEIDELBERG 3 (Russell o.g., Paton 2) MARCONI 2 (Jankovic, Campbell o.g.)** at Olympic Park, crowd 5830. Ratings by Laurie Schwab:  
HEIDELBERG: Banovic 9 - McMillan 9, Y-zendoom 7, P. Bannan 9, Tansey 10 - Campbell 7, Taylor 8, Rooney 10 - Cole 8, Paton 8, Buljovic 9. Coach: Manny Poulakakis.

**MARCONI:** Maher 5 - Brogan 7, Russell 7, Prskalo 9 (inj. 4th, sub. Selvage 6), Degney 6 - Byrne 8, Henderson 5, Lindsay 5, Jankovic 6, Krncevic 7, Sharpe 7. Coach: Les Scheinflug.

**Top four series: MARCONI 2 (Byrne, Henderson) HEIDELBERG 1 (Cole)** at Marconi Stadium, crowd about 7000. Ratings by Alex Vasic:  
MARCONI: Maher 8 - Brogan 8, Russell 8, Prskalo 8, Selvage 8, Byrne 8, Henderson 9, Lindsay 7. Coach: Les Scheinflug.

**1977**  
HEIDELBERG: Banovic 7, Sharpe 7. Coach: Les Scheinflug.  
MARCONI: 1 (Shane), Brisbane City won on penalties, at Perry Park. Crowd 7000. Ratings by Bruce Waddell:  
BRISBANE CITY: Bardi 7 - Rathwell 6, Hamilton 8, Tokel 9, McLeod 9 - Pimblett 8, Schewerdt 7 (Kilbey 10th), Gaffney 8 - Caldwell 7 (Coyne 9th), Johnston 8, Conner 7.  
MARCONI: Maher 8 - Jones 7, Prskalo 7, Russell (sent off 77th), Degney 8 - Richards 7, Byrne 7, Rooney 7 (Selvage 7, 68th) - Campbell 8, Mariani 7, Sharpe 7.

**1978**  
BRISBANE CITY 2 (Kalso, Pimblett) ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Markic) at Perry Park, crowd about 4500. Ratings by Bruce Waddell:  
BRISBANE CITY: Wihart 7 - Rathwell 7, Ratcliffe 7, Perry 9, Le-

### PREVIOUS FINALS

**Previous Philips Cup finals:**  
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**Top scores in games between Heidelberg and Marconi:**  
5. Cole  
4. Paton  
2. Boskic, Y-zendoom.  
MARCONI  
3. E. Campbell  
2. Sharpe, Rooney, Vieri, Byrne. Most appearances in games between Marconi and Heidelberg:  
HEIDELBERG  
9. P. Bannan, J. Campbell, Cole.  
8. McMillan, Tansey.  
7. Taylor, Boskic, Buljovic.  
6. Provan.  
5. Y-zendoom, Rooney, Paton.

### SCORERS, STARS



Eddie Thomson

Alan Vest

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## These are our top ten coaches

The success of Melita Eagles in the NSW State league has firmly established Attie Abonyi in the ranks of Australia's top coaches.

Two minor premierships with Croatia as player coach and now another with Melita as non-playing coach is certainly an impressive record.

The experiences this season of Gerry Chaldi and Raul Blanco make one wary however to say that Attie "has arrived" as a top coach. In coaching you are only as good as your last game, as Billy Birch found out during a recent weekend in Adelaide when his dual charges, Adelaide Croatia and West Adelaide, both crashed.

If Attie Abonyi can now claim a spot among Australia's top coaches, whose company he is now keeping.

In other words who are our top 10 coaches? Picking coaches is like picking players, individual preferences differ widely.

Additionally unless one has worked with a coach it is difficult to give a true assessment. Notwithstanding that and notwithstanding that I have most knowledge of NSW coaching and know nothing of what is happening in Tasmania or Western Australia, here is my list of 10 top coaches based on happenings this year and coloured by results in previous years.

**RUDI GUTENDORF, RALE RASIC, LEN MCKENDRY, LES SCHEINFLUG, ALAN VEST, JOHN MARGARITIS, MICK JONES, EDDIE THOMPSON, MATT CARSON, ATTIE ABONYI.**

The list is always in a state of flux. Gerry Chaldi was at his head just two years ago.

Going from my own experience the development of a coach to a really high standard takes a long time.

None of the aforementioned have as yet reached the level to which I aspire.

Billy Birch and Brian Edgeley by winning minor premierships in Adelaide and Melbourne obviously enhanced their status this year but not sufficiently to dim memories of previous non success.

Which brings us back to what is coaching success? In my opinion the ultimate in coaching success embraces the following:

1. Good discipline combined with team spirit.
  2. Growth in skill and personality of players.
  3. Development of a pattern of play (preferably attractive).
  4. Winning a league premiership.
- To put this altogether requires deep technical and tactical knowledge, plus knowledge of fitness, psychology, organisation and man management which usually takes years to acquire, with many bumps along the way.

Money and coaching success are today very synonymous. Money buys good players and good players are indispensable to team success. The maldigned Mave Maclaren won two premierships in a row with rich, all conquering Sydney Hakoah.

Is Eddie Thompson reaping a similar benefit to Maclaren and Chaldi?

The Croatian clubs with their big crowds tend to dominate State league soccer and we must bear this in mind when assessing the performances of Attie Abonyi, Brian Edgeley and Billy Birch.

Kurt Gudendorf has experience and intelligence, but has gone through a lot of jobs.

Rale Rasic has yet to win a league premiership.

Len McKendry struggled with a team in NSW State league Division Two for two years, including one of the years when that particular league was weakened due to the start of the Philips league.

Les Scheinflug had very modest team results for a decade till he took over the Marconi reigns from Rasic, who had done so much of the early building.

Alan Vest has not fulfilled expectations at Newcastle in a four year stay.

John Margaritis had South Melbourne bottom and West Adelaide in turmoil before this seasons success.

I mention these facts to balance the record when assessing coaches currently up front.

I am impressed by the record of Mick Jones, by his results, experience and training.

Rale Rasic, despite the fact that he costs a lot, not only on his salary, but on that of players he invariably buys, always achieves respectable results.

Rasic is never expected to produce cheque book disasters such as have hit Manchester City's Malcolm Allison.

Vest also gives one a feeling of safety, if not a guarantee for success.

Two coaches I should mention are Joe Vlasits and Jim Adams.

Adams like Mick Jones, seems to have been given sufficient credit in the past.

Adam's results at APIA last year were far superior to those achieved this year, yet the club considered he was not good enough.

Joe Vlasits got Australia to within a whisker of the world cup finals, yet also got a NSW Second division team relegated.

His recall as Australian youth team coach is a tribute to his durability.

Vic Dalgheich, coach of Auburn in the NSW State league, has done a good job on a limited budget to get his team placed third this year, following success in previous seasons with the NSW under-16 team.

Yet Dalgheich earlier this season was sacked by his club when the team was placed sixth, but a last minute management change of mind saved him.

Sutherland's John Watkiss was riding high till this season when his team was decimated by transfers.

Among all the aforementioned coaches, with their ups and downs, bumps and bruises has new comer Attie Abonyi come up with the magic formula continuing for success?

Three premierships in three years takes some beating. It surely is a hard act to follow.

## Lederer, Lowy show the way



TOM ANDERSON

New Philips Soccer League champion Sydney City has a record second to none in Australia football.

In the days before the PSL the Slickers - then better known as Hakoah - were the leaders on the club scene and captured honors with monotonous regularity.

And when the PSL was introduced in 1977, nothing changed and the Slickers continued their glory run.

In four seasons of PSL football, Sydney City has won two championships and has also recorded two top four championship wins.

This is a tremendous record and one that has to be applauded.

Just what is the secret of Sydney City's success? Well, in my opinion it can all be summed up in one word - stability.

Stability at the top, in administration, where it counts.

For any soccer club anywhere in the world to be successful, it must have stable leadership in the boardroom where most of the major decisions are made.

It's stability at the top that gives leadership to the rest of the club and sets an example for all to follow.

Sydney City has this winning ingredient and this is why it is Australia's most successful club.

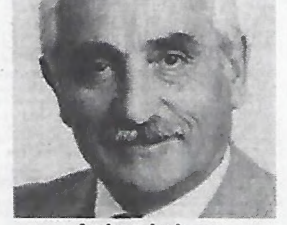
All directors play their part and are well led by club president Frank Lowy.

However, extra praise must be given to Sydney City's director of soccer, Andrew Lederer - a man who adores his football and lives for the game.

Lederer is a winner all the way and refuses to be associated with failures.

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v. South Melbourne Hakoah 2-1, goals: Y-zendoom, Cole.  
v. Adelaide City 0-0, Heidelberg won on penalties 3-1.  
MARCONI  
v. Melita Eagles 3-0, scorers: Krncevic 2, Cant, v. Newcastle 1-0, goals: 3-1, scorers: Raskopoulos 2, Brogan.  
v. Brisbane Lions 1-0, goals: Krncevic.



Andrew Lederer

his trade the proper way - up through the ranks of top professional football.

There is no substitute for this and the pros always come out on top in the end, as Thomson has this season.

Lederer - a man who has the complete respect of his players and directors alike and his decisions are never questioned.

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# CITY COUNCIL TO HONOUR UNDEFEATED YARRAVILLE

**Few clubs world wide can lay claim to producing a side which can go through a season undefeated.**

Such a feat too often stays in the dreams of club officials and supporters but District League Division One club Yarraville made the dream come true in 1980 by becoming undefeated champion of its league.

This is Yarraville's story; a story of a club with a proud and long history in Victorian soccer. The lesson to be learned from Yarraville's story is not new. Clubs throughout Australia attempt, many by force of competition rather than choice, to fill club coffers and buy expertise which will nurture success.

Who could have envisioned a District League club with \$20,000 to spend on team building?

The ever-increasing incidence of money-made success is now firmly established as a fact of soccer life.

Clubs like Yarraville will continue to rise as others wallow in leagues from which they cannot escape until they face their inevitable fate — relegation.

Yarraville was formed in 1909 and shared First Division honours with Williamstown in 1912. Both clubs finished the season with the same points and equal goal average.

1913 was a great year in Yarraville's history as the club became First Division champion and won the prestigious Dockery Cup.

The club's history is sketchy for most ensuing years but there can be no doubt that the club's demise was well in peration.

The Greek community made its move in 1960 and took over the running of the club.

Yarraville's longest serving president, Nick Amanatidis, took over in 1960 and served Yarraville faithfully until 1979 when his brother Jim took over as president.

As hard as Nick Amanatidis tried to build up a progressive club he could not do so alone and Yarraville floundered in what could best be described as the paddocks or backwaters of Victorian soccer and success seemed a distant dream.

But with support Yarraville suddenly made other clubs sit up and take notice and in 1979 the club missed out on promotion to the Provisional Leagues by one point.

The District Division One ladder for 1979 showed:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Postel Institute.....	22	16	3	3	46	21	35
Clifton Hill.....	22	14	2	6	51	26	30
Yarraville.....	22	12	5	5	51	29	29

By now Yarraville was in a sound financial position and by the start of the 1980 season the club had \$20,000 to spend on players and a top coach.

Three players were bought from Metro Division Two side Ardeer, one from State League club Western Suburbs and one from Greece with Second Division experience. Coach Takis Svingos was bought from Port Melbourne in the Metro Second Division after a fine career with Port highlighted by his win in the Metro fourth Division Best and Fairest Award for 1974.

These "imports", along with Yarraville's 1979 squad, gave the club a second-to-none chance of gaining promotion.

Metro side Pawkner has gained publicity as the "little Marconi" but Yarraville lays claim to the title of the "little Hellas".

Season 1980 saw Yarraville attract up to 1,000 spectators at home games and the club did not disappoint them.

Yarraville was the only side from the Victorian State League, Metro Leagues, Provisional Leagues and District Leagues to remain undefeated at the end of an arduous season.

The promise of things to come was made in a pre-season friendly against PSL club J.U.S.T. which ended 1-1. Yarraville's 1980 title could be added to when the club attempts a clean sweep of District League honours by trying to win the District League Cup and District League Reserve Cup when both finals are played on 19 October.

New lighting will be in use next season as well as an underground sprinkler system.

With all of this season's squad intact and itching to start an assault upon the Provisional Leagues, Yarraville is confident it can gain promotion in successive years.

Yarraville has over 200 members, one of whom is local councillor Fred Maddern who was impressed with Yarraville's success this year and commented at the

"This is a day which I will never forget because the club has achieved the impossible by remaining undefeated for 27 consecutive games.

"I congratulate the club committee, the players and the Yarraville spectators. This is a great day for Yarraville and for the City of Footscray and we are all proud of you."

On 22 October Yarraville will attend a civic reception held in its honour.

This is a breakthrough for Victorian soccer as no other clubs in the Western suburbs, including our Australian Rules neighbours, have been the beneficiary of such a gesture from the Footscray council.

Yarraville's season will climax on 4 October with the club's presentation night at Olympic Receptions in Yarraville.

Guests will include councillor Maddern, councillor Paul Holmes and John Dimtsis, president of the VSF.

The club's Best and Fairest award should be keenly contested by a short list of the following main candidates: Con Sidiropoulos, striker, netted 23 goals this season; Con Karapanagiotidis, midfielder; Nick Apostolidis, goalkeeper, only let 10 past him this season; Angelo Terzakis, defender, and George Meletis, defender.

The message from Yarraville is loud and clear — State League or bust is the club's major aim. And the aim could be quickly realised if this season's success is a fair indicator of the potential of the "little" Hellas.



Yarraville from left back row: Angelo Terzakis, Jim Panopoulos, George Meletis, Nick Apostolidis, Tony Amanatidis, Con Karapanagiotidis. Front row: Danny Apostolidis, Paul Xanthopoulos, Tim Pappas, Con Sidiropoulos, Paul Petridis, Chris Angelos, Steve Fagridas.

## Meet the players

Here is a brief pen portrait of the playing staff:

Nick Apostolidis: goalkeeper, age 21.  
Tony Amanatidis: defender, 20, from juniors.  
Jim Panopoulos: defender, 18, from juniors.  
Danny Apostolidis: defender, 25, from Altona in 1976.

Angelo Terzakis: defender, 22, from Ardeer in 1980 also played with Hellas.

George Meletis: defender, 27, from Polonia juniors, represented Victoria at under-18 level.

Con Karapanagiotidis: midfielder, 29, from Western Suburbs in 1979.

Tim Papachristodoulou: midfielder, 19, from Ardeer in 1980 also played with Hellas.

Steve Fagridas: midfielder, 20, from Volos in the Greek Second Division. Joined 1978.

Con Sidiropoulos: forward, 23, from J.U.S.T. in 1978.

Chris Angelos: forward, 27, from Greek Second Division in 1972.

Paul Petridis: forward, 22, from Ardeer in 1980 also played with Heidelberg United.

Apostolos Xanthopoulos: forward, 17, from juniors.

Bill Barbakos: midfielder, 28, from juniors.

Tony Karagiozakis: midfielder, 28, from juniors.

Con Giatas: goalkeeper, 15 and already six foot tall.

Steve Hitas: forward, 16.  
Memo Karamousis: midfielder, 17.  
Jim Christou: forward, 17.

# Can Juventus match a hot?

The national youth team will start its preparation for the 1981 Coca-Cola world youth championships by taking part in the new Victorian Cup series.

The youth team replaces Heidelberg United which withdrew from the Cup, because it would have too many players away on the Soccerroos' world tour.

The Victoria Cup kicks off on Wednesday 22 October.

The youth team is in Section A along with Footscray JUST, Macedonia and Juventus.

Section B comprises South Melbourne Hellas, Croatia, Ajax and Hakoah.

Stars of the Australian youth squad include Peter

Raskopoulos (Marconi), Paul Kay, David Skeen (St George), John Little (Altona), Ian Hunter (Blacktown), David Mitchell, Luciano Signore (Adelaide City), Jim Patikas (Sydney City), Glen Ahern (Brisbane Lions), David Watt (APIA), and Dennis Colusso (Marconi).

Steve Blair of Hellas, Oscar Crino and Fabio Incantapulo of Juventus and Vlatko Belic of Footscray JUST probably will play for their clubs in the Victoria Cup, although all are leading members of the youth squad.

The ASF's youth development officer, Brian Emery, is delighted with the opportunity provided by the VSF to help mould the youth players into an effective unit.

After the Victoria Cup, the young Soccerroos leave on 3 December for Fiji to compete in the Oceania youth tournament. They return home on 15 December and then it's off to Israel on 22 December to play in the Israeli international youth tournament.

Other contestants in Israel will be last year's winner Norway, Rumania which already has qualified for the 1981 world youth finals, Denmark, Israel and Sweden.

The young Soccerroos will play eight games in Israel.

A squad of 17 will come to Melbourne for the first round of the Victoria Cup on 22 October. They will be

coached by Rudi Gutendorf and his youth team assistant, Joe Vlastis.

After the game they will fly to Canberra, where they will be joined by the rest of the squad for a four-day camp, culminating in a match before the PSJ top four grand final on 26 October.

After that, the 17-man squad will fly to Melbourne every Wednesday morning and return home on Thursday morning during a period of group matches. The semi-finals are on Wednesday 12 November and the final on Sunday 16 November.

The ASF will meet the cost of travel and will receive the same share of gate money as the other competing teams. — LAURIE SCHWAB

## Beograd again

Beograd snatched the South Australian Federation Cup with an emphatic 4-0 win over Enfield Victoria at Hindmarsh Stadium.

The match was a replay of the Ampol Cup in March which Beograd won 2-0.

Just as in that match, Adrian Santrac opened the scoring with a cracking shot in the 40th minute.

Midfielder-striker Ivan Zafraan took over from that point and laid on the final three goals.

In the 47th minute he fired a pass across the face of goals for Savo Bozic to slam into the roof of the net.

Five minutes later Zafraan relayed the ball to Drago Kalinovic who made no mistake with a good drive.

And just before the end, Zafraan slipped the ball to Santrac who found Collin Evans lurking in a good position for the fourth goal.

Victoria had its chances in the first half, but once Beograd went into the lead the result looked a formality.

Beograd 4 (Santrac 40th, Bozic 47th, Kalinovic 52nd, Evans 86th) defeated Enfield Victoria 0. — MEND TOUTSIDIS

## McKie's eyes in peril

West Adelaide's Youth Soccerroo Ian McKie is fighting to save his sight.

McKie was injured last week when a battery exploded at a car yard where he works.

He has partial sight in his right eye but none in his left.

Specialists will know this week if there will be permanent damage.

While McKie convalesced in the Royal Adelaide Hospital, Soccerroo coach Rudi Gutendorf reaffirmed that the youngster was still in his youth squad.

Gutendorf said: "He is an outstanding player and the only time he will be dropped is when he loses form."

"Tell him to get well because his place is still there for him."

McKie had expressed fears after the accident that he would be dropped from the youth Soccerroo squad.

— MEND TOUTSIDIS

## How can Juventus stop Croatia from winning the 1980 Dockerty Cup final at Olympic Park this Sunday?

One way is for Juve's player to play the game of their lives but even then they may succeed only in taking the match into extra time.

Another way to beat Croatia is to hope for the Croatia players to be struck with a fast acting illness which would rule them out of the big game.

Juve also could try to stack its defence and go for a penalty showdown or maybe make certain Croatia players offers they could not refuse.

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

But as hard as I try I can't seem to come up with any valid reasons for a Juventus victory.

I know Bobby McGuinness is a fine striker and will have to be tagged closely. Tiziano Cavallari has the ability to burst forward quickly and can take on the best of men; John Creany looks better each time I see him and Jack Reilly has a wealth of experience.

But McGuinness still will be up against a tight, well drilled defence, Cavallari doesn't get involved enough which is a shame for someone with his talent, Creany is up against Carl Gilder, the best target

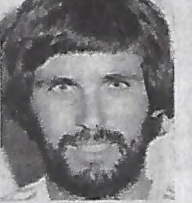
man in the State League, and Reilly looked a little shaky last Sunday against Ajax.

But a player is only as good as his last game, so as far as the underdog Juventus players are concerned this Sunday gives them the opportunity to become heroes.

It will be interesting to see whether Croatia player-coach John Gardiner decides to leave Keith Adams at sweeper or revert to the tried and trusted Gardiner-Steve Kokoska central defensive duo.

Adams was outstanding against Hakoah, exhibiting fine judgement and excellent disposal. His ability to gain possession and quickly play the ball forward to a man in space helped to tear Hakoah to shreds.

Steve Kokoska's battle with Juve's George Gillan should be intriguing as Kokoska is renowned in the air and Gillan's near-post runs for a flicked on



John Gardiner

header have been posing problems for opposition sides.

But Kokoska has the discipline to tag Gillan relentlessly.

Mendo Ristovski loses possession too easily, breaking down many Juve forward moves, but his shooting ability could see Peter Blasby forced into making some acrobatic, full-stretch saves.

If Ante Bilaver marks Ristovski the Juve winger could be in for a tough day as Bilaver gives little away.

I believe the key to the game could revolve around the selection of Juve's central defensive combination because with Noel Mitten finding scoring touch and Gilder playing well the Juve defence will come under tremendous pressure.

Ken Murphy's ability to break forward into one-on-one situations will test Juve's right back to the limit.

Juventus has done well to get to the final but I think Croatia will have reaped a just reward by late Sunday afternoon.

## ARMSTRONG CUP

Victoria Armstrong Cup semi-finals

POLONIA 1 (Gornik) FRANKSTON 0

POLONIA: Ostrowski - Lambrou, Kilpatrick, F. Dimitriou, L. Ljapinski - Menichelli, Gornik, Ljapinski - Lewis, Sierocinski (sent off 70th), Blesch (Wenger 70th).

FRANKSTON: Bent - Millington, Towers, Ormond, Iles - Watson (Reader H.T.), Wright, Burroughs, Luca - Deliyannis, Makrocostas

## '74 Roos to honor Curran

Members of Rale Rasie's 1974 Australian World Cup team have been invited to play in the Col Curran testimonial match at Newcastle's International Sports Centre on Sunday 12 October.

For the 33-year-old former Soccerroo, the match is a fitting tribute to a man who has contributed greatly at every level of soccer that he has taken part in.

Curran, who last represented Australia against New Zealand last year, has played 34 times for his country including 22 full internationals.

The nuggety fullback has worn the stripes of Maitland, Adamstown Rosebuds, Manchester United, Marconi, Western Suburbs, and Newcastle KB United.

Recently a committee was formed in Newcastle to arrange a day to pay tribute to Newcastle's 'favourite soccer son'.

Invitations have been sent to former Soccerroo team mates Ray Baartz, Jim Fraser, Jack Reilly, Doug Ujdesovic, Peter Wilson, Manfred Schaefer, Harry Williams, Peter Stone, John Warren, Ernie Campbell, John Wattkins, Art Abonyi, Col Bennett, Steve Perry, Ray Richards and team mates from other clubs, Clive Eaton, Dave Harding, and John Doyle.

World Cup coach Rale Rasie has been invited to be manager of the select side in the match against Curran's team, Newcastle KB United.

At Curran's request, 10 per cent of all proceeds of the day will go to the Glenade Special School.

Curran was adamant during the week that he has no intention of retiring and would turn out with Newcastle United next year.

## DOCKERTY CUP SEMI-FINALS

### NOEL MITTEN HAS A PICNIC

CROATIA 6 (Mitten 4, Gilder, Adams pen.) HAKOAH 1 (Kent)

CROATIA: Blasby 8 - Short 8, Adams 9, Kokoska 8, Bilaver 8 - Trent 1, Gilder 8, Kerr 8, Mitten 9, Murray 8.

HAKOAH: O'Hara 6 - Rooney 6 (Baker 60th), Gadsby 5, Dosen 5, Edmondson 5, Bannan 6, McNeil 5, Blair 5, Jordanov 5, French 5, Kent 6.

In Hakoah's most apathetic display of the year, Croatia strolled to a 6-1 win to go into next Sunday's Dockerty Cup final as odds-on favorite.

Any resemblance between Hakoah and a soccer team vanished for the last 20 minutes and a contest which promised to be hard fought turned into a farce, with Hakoah providing all the laughs.

Croatia striker Noel Mitten must be bitterly disappointed with his performance in scoring only four goals because a double hat-trick was on the cards for the former Irish youth international.

Croatia hinted of things to come as early as the 10th minute when Alan Kerr rose high to meet a John Gardiner chipped free kick and head against the bar.

Four minutes later Joe Trent drove a hard corner toward the far post where Carl Gilder, charging in to the edge of the six yard box, headed firmly into goal to open the scoring.

Hakoah's defenders were often forced into first-time clearances but Hakoah came back and had two good chances to level.

In the 27th minute Anton Dosen took too long to control a Graham French cross and chipped wide.

Two minutes later Ged Bannan broke down Hakoah's right, came inside, then crossed low to Stewart Blair who chipped too high from eight metres.

Gardiner played a wall pass with Gilder and his first-time shot was just wide as Croatia started to look increasingly dangerous.

Hakoah's main avenue to goal was on its right where Sean Rooney overlapped well and Ged Bannan seemed to find plenty of space.

To combat Bannan, Ken Murphy dropped deep.

Croatia went further ahead in the 42nd minute when Dosen tripped Mitten inside the area and Keith Adams, having a brilliant game as sweeper, easily converted from the spot.

On the stroke of half time Gardiner sent Ante Bilaver and Murphy away down Croatia's left.

Murphy left the ball for Bilaver and moved inside as the Croatia left back headed toward the Hakoah area, then crossed a fine ball to the unmarked Mitten on the far post and the resulting header buried Hakoah's hopes of getting to the Dockerty Cup final.

With Croatia winning in midfield Hakoah's two main forwards Chris Kent and French were effectively blotted out.

In the 60th minute Murphy charged toward the Hakoah area and slipped a well weighted through ball to Mitten who coolly tapped the ball past Mike O'Hara, then ran around the stranded Hakoah keeper to tap into the open goal.

Hakoah achieved a modicum of respectability one minute later when Kent turned and slammed a hard, low right-foot shot inside the far upright from 18 metres.

In the 72nd minute Steve Short crossed from Croatia's right and O'Hara, stretching to punch clear over three players, failed to make clean contact and Mitten simply tapped the ball into the open goal.

Four minutes later the demolition of Hakoah was completed when Murphy's cross found Mitten unmarked and he steered his header past O'Hara for Croatia's sixth goal. — CRAIG MACKENZIE

### MORREY MISSES, CREANY WINS IT

JUVENTUS 1 (Creany) AJAX 0

JUVENTUS: Reilly 7 - Nelson 7, Creany 8, Crino 8, Tarquinio 7 (Dalla Rocca full time) - Sabidussi 6, Cavallari 6, Heery 7 - Ristovski 5, Gillan 7, McGuinness 7.

AJAX: Denys 8 - Hopgan 7, Dunne 8, Patten 7, Smart 7 - Bennett 6, Vojtek 6, Vassallo 6 - Segi 5, Perkins 6 (sent off 18th extra time, Morrey 7).

After a go-slow first half this game became incident-packed in the second half and a Bill Morrey penalty miss four minutes from the end of full time sank Ajax's hopes of competing in the Dockerty Cup final for the first time in its history.

Juventus had two clear-cut chances in the first half, the best falling to Bobby McGuinness whose shot from the six yard box was well saved by Lou Denys.

Gully lacked penetration in this first half and seemed bent on containing Juve, with Dave Hopgan tagging Mendo Ristovski, Graham Smart on McGuinness and Gerry Bennett keeping a close watch on Tony Heery.

In the 54th minute Ajax should have gone ahead when Dave Perkin pounced on a poor pass back from Fausto Tarquinio but Perkin shot wide from about 12 metres.

A few minutes later Bennett played a crossfield ball to Willie Vassallo who pushed it wide to Morrey on Ajax's left.

Morrey ran at Alex Nelson then tapped the ball to one side of the Juve right back and ran around the other side but rather than cross from a tight angle Morrey elected to drive for goal and could only gain a corner.

The opening 20 minutes of this half were played mainly in Juve's defensive half and Gully looked likely to open the scoring.

Gradually Juve came back and took over in midfield.

In the 68th minute Tiziano Cavallari played a wall pass with Ristovski, then charged past an Ajax defender and crossed to the far post where George Gillan rose high but headed wide.

Two minutes later Denys anticipated well and saved a Gillan flicked header at the near post from a Ristovski corner.

The tempo of the game had picked up considerably from the first half and both sides went forward incessantly, searching for the goal which would decide the outcome.

Denys kept Ajax's hopes alive in the 80th minute when he had to dive up and across to brilliantly save a 22-metre dipping shot from McGuinness which seemed destined for the top corner.

One minute later Andy Segi flicked the ball into the path of Morrey who then shot wide from 12 metres.

The deadlock was almost broken in the 86th minute when Nelson handled on the line after Jack Reilly had dropped an innocuous cross.

Morrey strode toward the ball but his penalty attempt was not firm or wide enough to foil Reilly's excellent anticipation and Ajax had blown a great opportunity of snatching a win.

The game was placed out of Ajax's reach in the fifth minute of extra time when a short cover by Cavallari went to Bruno Sabidussi, then back to Cavallari whose well flighted first-time far-post cross was met firmly by the head of John Creany and nodded into goal.

Ajax may have played in the Cup final had captain and regular penalty taker Bill Vojtek taken the all-important 86th minute spot kick and Ajax fans were left to ponder the strange chance in plan which allowed Morrey to take the kick. — CRAIG MACKENZIE

## Canterbury, Auburn in replay

Traditional rivals Auburn and Canterbury Marrickville fought out an exciting 2-2 draw in the NSW State League semi-final match at the Sydney Sports Ground.

Auburn had the greater share of play but could not capitalise on the advantage due to their slow build-ups and overall negative tactics.

The Canterbury defence was solid and well marshalled by player-coach George Barbour but it was their lively midfield combination of Neil Williams, Jim Basterfield and Greg Byles which threatened the Auburn defence.

Williams, as well as having a good match, scored both of Canterbury's goals.

The first came when he out-sprinted the Auburn defence to pick up a long pass from Greg Brown and then casually split the ball past the advancing goalkeeper into the net and give Canterbury the lead.

Auburn hit back soon after, following heavy pressure on the Canterbury line when the ball crossed in front of the goal at least three times before Jim McGranor's headed deflected down off the cross bar for Hector Martinez to jab it home from close range.

But the game settled down, working hard to find weaknesses but the defences held up strongly, with Alex McMillan and Gary Fairclough looking safe in the Auburn back line.

The midfielder John McDonald made a solid run down the left, swerved past two defenders and slammed a beautiful left-foot shot into the net to level the score.

Canterbury threw everything into an early onslaught in the first period of extra time and Craig Hall was close to scoring several times.

Basterfield sent over a low, fast ball from a free kick on the left and the alert Williams was on the spot to put Canterbury ahead again after only four minutes of extra time.

Canterbury tried to slow down the game after the goal but Auburn chased strongly, winning possession with their determination.

Just when the match seemed all over, Auburn's veteran midfielder John McDonald made a solid run down the left, swerved past two defenders and slammed a beautiful left-foot shot into the net to level the score.

The draw means a replay is necessary to determine which team is eliminated from this year's top four competition.

## Reilly for Heidelberg

Former national team goalkeeper Jack Reilly has started training with Heidelberg United and will transfer from Juventus as soon as the transfer season opens on 1 December.

Reilly, who played in the 1974 World Cup finals in West Germany, has been with St George, Hakoah and South Melbourne Hellas.

He will be understudy to Heidelberg's No. 1 goalkeeper Jeff Owyer and will help train him.

## Overseas scores

**WEST GERMANY**  
Bayern Munich 2, Werder 1; Eintracht Frankfurt 2, HSV Hamburg 1; Fortuna 2, Herford 2; Kaiserslautern 1, Karlsruhe 0; Fortuna Dusseldorf 4, Bayer Leverkusen 3; Borussia Dortmund 2, VfB Stuttgart 1; Bayer Uerdingen 0, 1860 Munich 3; Borussia Munchengladbach 0, VfL Bochum 1; Schalke 2, Arminia Bielefeld 2.

**WORLD CUP**  
Yugoslavia 2, Denmark 2-1; Scotland, Yugoslavia - Portugal (pen), Czech Republic, Denmark - Elque (pen).

**ITALY**  
Bologna 1, Roma 1; Brescia 1, Juventus 1; Cagliari 2, Ascoli 0; Como 1, Inter 0; Fiorentina 1, Carrarese 0; Napoli 1, Frosinone 0; Torino 2, Avellino 0; Udinese 1, Perugia 0.

**GREECE**  
Atromitos 1, Aek 1; Olympiakos 3, Larissa 1; Panathinaikos 2, Iraklis 1; Panionios 0, PAOK 0; Dora 1, Apollon 0; Panathinaikos 1, Katerini 1; Ymittos 2, Aris 4; Karaitis 1, Kavala 1; Pans 2, Panathinaikos 1.

**POLAND**  
Widze Krakow 1, Odra Opole 0; Zaglobie Sosnowiec 0, LKS Lowa 1; Ruch Chorzow 4, Slask Mielno 3; Widzew Lodz 2, Ruch Wroclaw 1; Gornik Zabrze 2, Szombierki Bytom 2; Legia Warsaw 2, Zawisza Bydgoszcz 1; Lask Poznan 0, Arka Gdynia 1; Wisla Lodz 2, Gornik Zabrze 0.

**HOLLAND**  
Go Ahead Eagles 1, Sparta Rotterdam 2; Utrecht 2, Roda JC Kerkrade 1; Willem II Tilburg 1, Wageningen 2; Feyenoord Rotterdam 4, Middlesbrough 2; Twente Enschede 0, PSV Eindhoven 1; MVV Maastricht 2, Excelsior Rotterdam 0; Ajax Amsterdam 5, Go Ahead Eagles 2; Nieuw Spigaars 2, The Hague 4; FC Zwolle 0, Ar 17 Amsterdam 2.

**HUNGARY**  
MTV Veszprem 1, Ferencváros 2; Budapest Honvéd 0, Puskas ACS 1; Debrecen 0, Nyiregyhaza 1; Csopart 0, Gyongyos 3; Zalaegerszeg 2; Dunajvaros 4, Munkacs 1; Gyor ETO 1, Debrecen 0; Vasas 2, Honved 0.

**TURKEY**  
Traktenor 2, Fenerbahce 1, Beşiktaş 1, Bala 1; Gaziantep 4, Odu 0; Bursa 2, Adana Demirspor 1; Sakaryaspor 0, Alany 0; Mersin 2, Zeytinoluk 0; Adana Demirspor 2, Karadag 0.

# BERTOGNA N, CUMMING OUT, VFL COACH FOR SOCCEROOS

Rudi Gutendorf will ask Richmond coach Tony Jewell to give the Soccerroos a pep talk before their international match against New Zealand on 29 October.

He reckons Jewell owes him a favor, as Gutendorf gave Richmond a talk on motivation last season while the Tigers were struggling.

"I talked to them about the methods I used in getting the best out of world class players like Kevin Keegan while I was with Hamburg," Gutendorf said.

"Now I want Jewell to pass on his secrets for our game against New Zealand."

"I saw the VFL grand final on TV and the Richmond players obviously were much better motivated than the Collingwood players. They believed in themselves much more."

Gutendorf announced that Essendon Croatia's dynamic winger Tommy Cumming had failed in his bid to regain fitness and would miss out on the Soccerroos' world tour in November and the game against New Zealand.

Cumming, who has had a groin injury for most of the season, will return for the national team's training camp in January.

Gutendorf said he was satisfied that Alan Davidson of Hellas had overcome his ankle injury. Davidson will go on tour and will be in the squad against New Zealand.

Gutendorf added he had decided also to include Newcastle stopper Arno Bertogna who played well in the scoreless draw with Hellas on Sunday.

Gutendorf said he was keeping a close watch on Vince Bannan and Duncan Cummings of Hellas and Jamie Paton of Heidelberg.

He said he probably would call them into camp early next year, and that there was a possibility of Paton going on the world tour.

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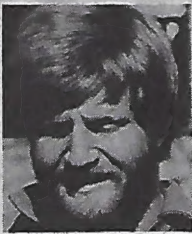
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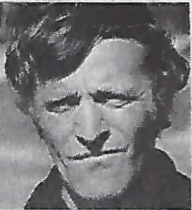
# Victorian Industrial League Black Douglas Cup Final



Kurt Staub, goal-keeper



Colin Howard, defender



Calder McLeod, defender

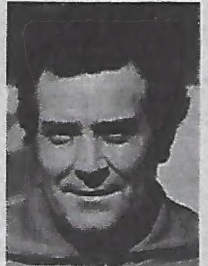


Bowater Scott, from left: Back row: B. Virgin (trainer), M. Leech, B. Quigley, R. Marshall, S. McCole, C. Reid, S. Reid, E. Howarth, G. McCole, T. Reid (coach). Front row: I. McCole, A. Blondel, C. McLeod, R. Davies, K. Staub, C. Howard, G. Liokos.

## BOWATER SCOTT



Ronnie Marshall, forward



Thomson Reid, coach



Ernie Howarth, president



Calder Reid, secretary



Stephen Reid, defence or midfield



Ian McCole, midfielder



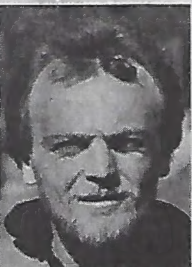
Bowater committee, left to right: B. Quigley, C. McLeod, A. Blondel, S. McCole, B. Virgin, C. Reid (secretary), T. Reid, E. Howarth (president), R. Howarth, H. Hirsch.



Mal Leech, sweeper



George Liokos, defence or midfield



Stuart McCole, defender



Russell Davies, midfielder and captain



Brian Quigley, forward



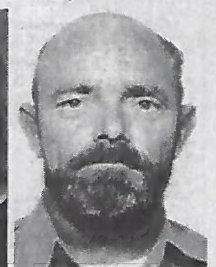
Graham McCole, forward



Janko Jakovljevic, midfielder or forward



Andy Blondel, forward



Ernie Fletcher, treasurer.



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# SPLIT FOR THE CUP



Can AR Split capture the Black Douglas Cup which has proved so elusive in recent times?

The rise of this Croatian Industrial League side has been phenomenal but Split has been the beaten finalist in the last two Douglas Cup Finals twice going down to arch rival Tarax.

Split's hurdle in this year's final is Bowater Scott which has just completed its best season in the Industrial League Division One, finishing fifth.

Significantly both 1980 league matches between Bowater Scott and Split have ended in draws, 2-2 and 1-1. Bowater is contesting its second Black Douglas Cup Final having lost the 1977 final.

The Scott's side features captain and midfielder Russell Davies who played for Shildon in the North East of England League; prolific scorer Andy Blondel from Doncaster Rovers; midfielder George Liofos also from Doncaster and Stephen Reid who plays in the back four.

Three brothers play for the Scott's team — Ian, Graham and Stuart McCole

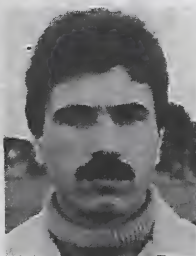
— and coach Thomson Reid will put out a fit and fiercely competitive side for this Sunday's final at Middle Park at 3 pm.

But Split looks too classy for Bowater particularly with players of great experience such as midfielder Ivica Turicar, former Croatia and Austria star; Frank Franjic, another midfielder and former Croatia player and Ivica Cesljar, formerly of Makedonia and Croatia.

Split coach Miro Franjic had a successful career as goalkeeper with Croatia and he currently combines his keeping talents with his coaching duties at Split.

Franjic will be keen to gain added prestige by chalking up a Black Douglas Cup in the list of his credits and Sunday could be a day of celebrations for the Croatian community.

But cup finals are notorious for making a mockery of form and Scott's cannot be written off.



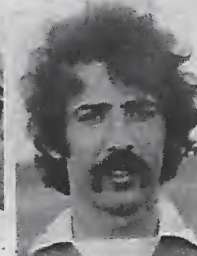
BRANKO KUZMAR, 30.



IVICA, CESLJAR, 34, ex-Croatia and Makedonia, joined 1977.



ZDENKO TUSEK, 31, joined from Ford, 1979.



MATE DIMAC, 31, sweeper, ex-Croatia.



MISO VIDIC, 26, from Borovo, 1977.



FRANK FRANJIC, 25, joined 1979 from Croatia.



NICK JUGOVIC, 22, ex-Ericsson.



ZELJKO HOLOVKA, 23, Forward, ex-Austria.



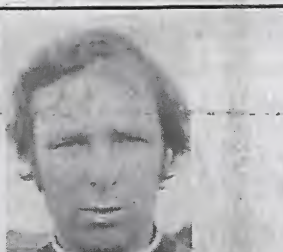
AR Split, Back Row, from left: F. Rezo, M. Vlaovic, N. Vulic, Z. Tusek, Z. Holovka, L. Matic, D. Alimic, B. Kuzmar. Front Row: S. Sabljak, I. Turicar, I. Milanovic, F. Franjic, N. Jugovic, I. Cesljar.



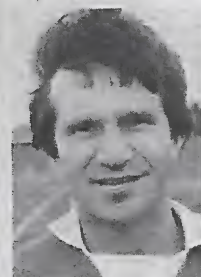
MIRO FRANJIC, player-coach and goalkeeper.



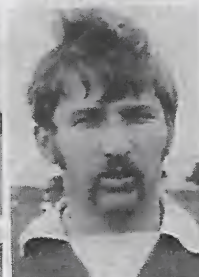
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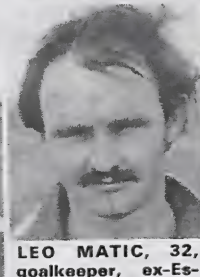
MILJENKO, VLAOVIC, 27, midfielder, ex-Croatia.



IVICA TURICAR, 30, midfielder, ex-Croatia and Austria.



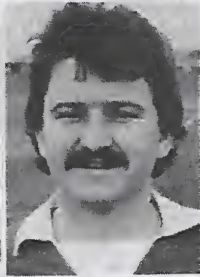
IVICA MILANOVIC, 31, mid fielder.



LEO MATIC, 32, goalkeeper, ex-Es-sendon Lions, Kodak and Roman Leather-goods.



DRAGO ALIMIC, 25, forward, ex-Williamstown.



FRANK BAJER, 22, ex-Austria, joined 1978.



NIKOLA VULIC, 29, joined 1977.

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## from COCA-COLA BOTTLERS



Broadmeadows City under 12's have completed a successful season in the Victorian Northern B section. The boys won the championship from 9 other clubs by winning 15, drawing 1, and losing 2 games. The boys generally played against much bigger opponents but compensated with skill and a lot of fighting spirit

### Meadows make it

and team effort. Among the teams successes was winning the Moreland Junior Cup competition. The boys had to play 4 games, against teams that are in the "A" league competition. Pictured, from left, stand-

ing: J. Xuereb (manager), J. Amato, J. Mangion, C. Xuereb, D. Stratford, J. Amenta, M. Saliba, L. Azopardi, M. Bakir, J. O'Neill (coach). Front: T. Zovko, A. Buhagiar, A. Cosmas, D. Batticciotto, G. Sparks, S. Maloney.

# 'Signore's flame is set to glow bright

Imagine a young lad taking up most of his spare school hours by kicking a soccer ball around the schoolyard and dreaming of Adelaide City Juventus and you have a clear picture of the early soccer years of Adelaide City's promising young star Luciano Signore.

"I have loved Adelaide City since I was a kid," said Signore, "and my main ambition is to establish myself in the first team."

Signore's competitive career started with Adelaide City's under-14's and he played on the left wing.

"I was the smallest player in the side and I think I was put on the left wing to keep out of trouble because my opponents were always taller and stronger."

"My job was as a goal sneak and I owe a great deal of credit for my early development to Charlie Horvath, an ex-Australian national goalkeeper whose training was hard, physical stuff which helped me along with the many hours of shooting practice."

"Bob D'Ottavi, now coach of Campbelltown City in First Division is another coach who helped me when he was coaching City's Third Division side."

"I was only 16 when I played in the first team in Third Division and I became the youngest player to win the Ron Roberts Medal."

"It was the highlight of my younger years and I was thrilled to win such a prestigious award but not more thrilled than Bob."

"Bob looked after Charlie Villani and me and his major contribution to our development was in the areas of attitude, skills and knowledge of the game. He made us look around and become aware of what was involved in attempting to become more complete players."

Signore's representative career started at a late stage because he didn't like the idea of missing out on club games while playing for South Australia but this attitude is one which he now regrets.

"Most people can't understand why I preferred to play for my club rather than my state and it's hard to explain but I just loved to play for Adelaide City."



Luciano Signore

"My experiences at youth level this year have been tremendous and I now regret missing out in past years when so many people wanted to select me for the State side. "This year I was almost pushed into playing for the South Australian youth team and people were ringing me up all the time and asking me to play."

"I think the recognition I gained through being a part of Adelaide City's PSL squad had a lot to do with the interest shown in me."

Signore is little different from most Australian youth

team candidates in his fierce desire to represent his country at the coming Coca-Cola World Youth Cup Finals in 1981 but he feels that establishing himself as a regular first team player with Adelaide City is the first and most important step in his quest for youth team honours by giving him recognition necessary in furthering a possible national career.

Signore could go to English First Division side, Norwich City for an invaluable four or five week period to enhance his knowledge and experience of professional soccer.

"Justin Fashanu has invited me over and I am still considering the offer. If I go I most likely will leave this coming December."

Although the youngster has played in every field position throughout his short career the Norwich trip would be a bonus for his development.

It also would be a bonus for Adelaide City and the national youth team and the first spark in the fire of Signore's career destined to burst into full flame in the near future — BY CRAIG MACKENZIE

## Hat-trick heroes

The "Soccer Action" Hat Trick Diploma is available to any junior player who scored three or more goals in any league, Cup or official school match. Friendly matches do not count.

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The boys' names will also appear in our list of "Hat-Trick Heroes" published every week.

This week's hat-trick heroes:

Steven Avent, 9, four goals (Chelsea); Tonino Rosa, 13, four goals (East Griffith); Adam Philip, 8, four goals (Nunawading City); Fabian Isgro, 11, four goals (Swan Hill); Jamie Shaw, 9, four goals, John Peters, 10, John Garle, 11 (Sunbury Utd); Scott Horne, 8, six goals, Jarrod Norman, 8, Julian Eccles, 9, five goals, Matthew Connolly, 9, four goals (Rosetta Primary); Arthur Pat-

nyot, 14, Raffaele DiClemente, 12, four goals, Roberto Battista, 12 (Thomastown); Greg Antas, 12, five goals, Andrew Krzywniak, 12, Paolo Trimboli, 11, five goals (Brighton); Tony Giannopoulos, 14, four goals (Malvern C); Kenneth Smith, 14 (Yolla District High); Michael Tatnell, 13, five goals, Robert Low, 13, five goals, Paul Fletcher, 13, (Moe United); Terry Venturi, 7 (Clayton); Colin Cooper, 11, Ken Galea, 11 (Altona C); Darren Nicholls, 13, Darren Higgs, 13, four goals, Dale Burgess, 13, Darren Billings 13 (Reece High School); Matthew Day, 10, Paul Sharpe, 9, James Collier, 9, Michael Freeman, 10, four goals (Umina United).



This week's picture has been entered by Z. Cierpiz of Flat 4, 65 Warrick St., Ascot Vale, Vic. 3032. It shows George Christopoulos of South Melbourne Hellas shooting at goal, as Jim Kondarios of Footscray JUST tries to tackle. Behind them is Duncan Cummings and at right Zoran Ilioski.

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BACK ROW: Alan Williams (from Doncaster Rovers, 1980); Jim Armstrong (from Juventus, 1980); Jim Green (from Albion Rovers, 1980); Tony Van Buren (from Tereng, 1979); Steve Walker (from Juventus, 1980); Sandy Irvine (player-coach, from Frankston City, 1978).  
FRONT ROW: Andy Savage (from Dandenong City, 1980); Graham Irvine (from Sunnyside, Scotland, 1979); Ray Duggan (from Juniors); Tom O'Halloran (from Slavia, 1978); Ray Hind (from Juniors).  
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